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S. P. LANGLEY. SECRETARY.

Washington, D.C., November 21st, 1889.

Professor Sereno Watson,

Botanic Garden,

Cambridge, Mass.

Dear Sir:

The packages advised by your letter of November 8th have been received and forwarded as far as they relate to correspondents abroad.

With regard to the parcel for the California Academy of Sciences, I have to say that requests are constantly received for the transmission of scientific publications to persons within the United States under the Smithsonian frank, but it is impossible to comply with them.

The Institution has been compelled to discontinue domestic distribution except to its correspondents in Washington.

I have, however, made an exception in the present instance, and will have the parcel addressed to the Library of the California Academy of Sciences mailed, postage being paid by this Institution.

Very respectfully yours,

Secretary.